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In re Divisional Application of:

Ronald Cortigiano, Sr. : Group Art Unit: 3722

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FEEDING  
SLIDER-ZIPPER ASSEMBLIES

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced divisional patent application, the Applicant requests that the specification and claims be amended as indicated starting on the next page: